

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
STATESVILLE DIVISION  
5:24-cv-71-MOC**

**CHRISTOPHER A. RUMPLE,** )  
 )  
 **Plaintiff,** )  
 )  
 **v.** )  
 )  
 **MARTIN O'MALLEY,** )  
 **Commissioner of Social Security,** )  
 )  
 **Defendant.** )

**ORDER**

**THIS MATTER** is before the Court through a motion by Plaintiff, Christopher A. Rumble, for an award of attorney's fees pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act. (Doc. No. 12). Defendant has consented to that motion.

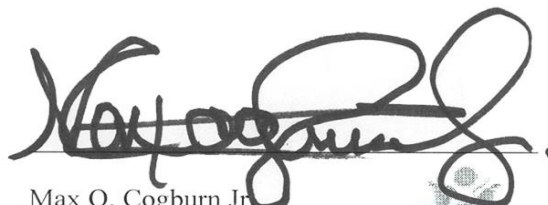
**ORDER**

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Plaintiff's Motion for Fees is **GRANTED** and the United States Social Security Administration shall pay attorney's fees in the amount of Three Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty Dollars and 20/100 Cents (\$3,330.20). Full or partial remittance of the EAJA award will be contingent upon a determination by the Government that Plaintiff owes no qualifying, pre-existing debt(s) to the Government.

If Plaintiff has no outstanding federal debt, the Commissioner may honor any EAJA assignment that Plaintiff may provide and make the check(s) payable to Plaintiff's counsel. However, if Plaintiff has an outstanding federal debt, the Commissioner will make the check(s) payable to Plaintiff directly and deliver the check(s) to the business address of Plaintiff's counsel. The amount of EAJA award payable to Plaintiff will be the balance of EAJA award remaining

after subtracting the amount of Plaintiff's outstanding federal debt. This award will be paid directly to Plaintiff, Christopher A. Rumpel, and sent to the business address of Plaintiff's counsel. If Plaintiff's outstanding federal debt exceeds the amount of the EAJA award approved pursuant to the Order, the amount of the EAJA award will be used to offset Plaintiff's federal debt and no EAJA award shall be paid.

Signed: August 30, 2024



Max O. Cogburn Jr.  
United States District Judge